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STAFF MEMORANDUM No. 60-56

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Subject: Release of NIE 11-4-56, "Soviet Capabilities and Courses
of Action Through 1961," [REDACTED]

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1. With respect to the release of NIE 11-4-56, the Staff
regards the following factors as relevant:

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c. Classification and Sources. According to the Staff
directly involved in the drafting of this estimate, its
release would not compromise NOFORN materials or intelligence
sources for which CIA is responsible.

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d. Substantive. The Staff notes that a problem exists with respect to certain data on nuclear developments, analogous portions of which were deleted from last year's paper prior to release. In this connection, it probably will be necessary to ensure that there would be no inconsistency between any proposed deletions and the sanitized version of NIE 11-2-56, which JAEIC is now in the process of preparing specifically for release to certain foreign governments. Moreover, references in the text to published estimates not released or to forthcoming estimates should be deleted. With respect to substantive content otherwise, the Staff perceives no objection to release.

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